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[Extract of letter dated September 21, 1902, from the consular agency at Hodeidah.]

With regard to the state of the epidemic here, I beg to-day to state more precisely that there were altogether 8 cases of cholera, 6 of which ended fatally and 2 of which recovered. Sanitary measures have at once been applied to the infectious house for preventing the spreading of the disease, and there were no further casualties since eight days. Fresh cases, however, are said to have broken out in the interior, confirmation of which can not be had, the Turkish military doctors declining to declare the disease to be cholera. Marawa, Chalifa, and Lohiyah have been mentioned as suspect in the report of our sanitary office to Constantinople, and the international sanitary board there has decided as follows:

"According to telegram reaching us yesterday, quarantine of ten days in force against littoral is extended north to Besth and south to Mocha, these 2 ports excluded."

As to the shipping from here to Aden, I beg to transmit you the telegram of the president of Aden, which has just been published here by the British vice-consul, and which reads as follows:

"Venice rules withdrawn against arrival from Hodeidah; medical inspection, observation, and detention for seven days substituted."

PAUL ROST,
United States Acting Consular Agent.

BARBADOS.

Smallpox situation.

BARBADOS, WEST INDIES, *October 13, 1902.*

SIR: I have to report that since the 28th ultimo 290 cases of smallpox have been reported, of which 95 have been sent to the quarantine station and 195 have been isolated on shore. Seven patients have died at the station and 4 on shore, while 105 have been discharged as cured.

From July 13 to last night 1,090 cases have been reported, of which 41 have died, 212 have been discharged as cured, and 837 remain under treatment.

There has been during the fortnight a very marked decrease in the number of cases in St. Michaels, there having been only 93 cases against 144 in the previous fortnight.

Free public vaccination is still being carried out, but not as vigorously as in the last fortnight, as the people object to being vaccinated unless some provision is made for their relief if they should be incapacitated from work. About 50,000 persons have been vaccinated up to the present time.

Respectfully,
JAS. SANDERSON.
Clerk, General Board of Health and Quarantine Board.
The SURGEON-GENERAL.

BRAZIL.

Mortality statistics of Bahia.

BAHIA, BRAZIL, *September 29, 1902.*

Week ended September 20, 1902.—For the week ended September 20, 1902, there were reported in Bahia 99 deaths—none from quarantinable diseases.

Week ended September 27, 1902.—For the week ended September 27, 1902, there were reported in Bahia 88 deaths—none from quarantinable diseases.

H. W. FURNISS,
United States Consul.

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.